

REMARKS

In response to the January 6, 2004 Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Applicant submits herewith the entire "Amendment to the Claims" section with the status identifiers present for claims 32-43.

Applicant submits that the December 9, 2003 Amendment now fully meets the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.21, and entry and consideration thereof is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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